

# TEUTONIC ALLIES ABANDON TWO FORTS AS RUMANIANS ADVANCE

## PRICE OF FOOD IS HIGHEST OF AUTUMN SEASON

Cost of Living Shows Further Increase.

## FLOUR IS SETTING RECORD

Provisions Up, Potatoes Twice as Much in Year.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Marked increase in the cost of living is shown in the rising tendency of prices of foodstuffs on October 1, reports of which are just being received at the department of agriculture from the principal markets of the country.

With flour selling at prices higher than at any time since the civil war, due principally to the shortage of the wheat crop this year, the cost of potatoes has mounted for the same reason. Meat prices continue to advance with prices being paid producers of meat animals almost 24 percent more than what was paid a year ago. Butter, eggs and cheese all are selling at higher prices for this time of the year than they were last year and beans show an increase of more than 20 percent over a year ago because of the short crop. Onions are more than 50 percent higher and cabbages more than 40 percent higher.

## Farm Products Increase.

Prices paid to producers of farm products increased 9.4 percent during August, while during the last eight years these prices have shown a decrease of about 21 percent during that month. September began with the index figures of these prices 21.9 percent higher than a year ago.

Butter was selling about 12 percent higher than a year ago, according to the latest statistics available today at the department of agriculture. The price was 1 cent a pound higher than it had been in the last eight years at this time of the year. Eggs were selling 5 cents a dozen higher than last year, but were lower for the period than in several of the last eight years.

## Potatoes Doubled.

Potatoes were selling 110 percent higher than a year ago. Cheese showed an increase in price of more than 25 percent over a year ago, and was higher than it has been in the last eight years, being 15 cents a pound more than the highest price in those years.

Hogs were selling 25 percent higher than a year ago, beef cattle more than 7 percent higher, veal calves more than 10 percent higher, sheep more than 8 percent higher, and lambs more than 20 percent higher.

## COUNTY TO STOP LAW VIOLATIONS BY INJUNCTIONS

Order Asked Against Five Persons Today.

A campaign against bootlegging joints and disorderly houses in this city was launched today by the county attorney's office with the filing of petitions seeking injunctions against alleged liquor sellers and keepers of houses of ill fame.

## Injunctions Asked.

Injunctions are asked against Dave Myers, Mrs. Dave Myers, James P. Beaver, Josephine Thompson and Meade Miller. These petitions were prepared by Paul Van Winkle, assistant county attorney. Other petitions will be filed this afternoon and tomorrow. The injunction campaign will be continued until every whisky joint and disorderly house in the county is wiped out, Mr. Van Winkle declared.

Hitherto raids were made against the premises of alleged bootleggers and their liquor confiscated. They were then arrested and charged with violating the prohibitory law. This method having proved ineffective a new system of checking law violations will be given a trial. Injunctions will be asked against those convicted of maintaining gambling and liquor nuisances and disorderly houses. The petitions ask the court to direct the sheriff to take possession of the buildings in which the nuisances are operated.

## Woman Accused.

Myers and Mrs. Myers are charged with maintaining a liquor nuisance while Beaver, the owner of the Myers residence at 1001 South Robinson avenue, is accused of "knowingly allowing liquor to be kept for the purpose of sale in his property."

Josephine Miller is charged with keeping a house where liquor is sold and operating a house of ill fame. The Miller woman, owner of the building at 307 South Harvey avenue in which the nuisance is alleged to have been operated, is also charged with knowingly permitting her building to be used unlawfully.

## Bryce Urges England to Join America in League to Prevent Future Wars



Viscount Bryce.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Oct. 3.—Viscount Bryce of Desmond, former ambassador at Washington, addressing the Generational union today, declared the spirit of hate against the Germans and the talk of a lasting war trade. In concluding, he advocated a league to restrain aggression and compel arbitration.

"It is there to be a recurrence to wars, becoming more terrible with the increasing advance of science," he said as he may be the savior of the future.

"To establish any machinery for preserving peace," continued Lord Bryce, "would be impossible without the cooperation of the neutral states and especially the greatest of all the neutral states. We have been waiting and watching to see whether America would in view of the immense interests at stake, depart from her old policy of complete isolation and bear her part in the effort for obtaining a permanent balance for peace."

Quoted Wilson and Hughes.

"President Wilson delivered a powerful speech in which he announced that the United States cannot stand aloof from a movement in which the highest interests of mankind are concerned and that he felt sure the people of the United States would support him."

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## MILLION DOLLARS SPENT BY STATE FAIR VISITORS

So Figures Sidney L. Brock, Exposition Director.

More than \$1,000,000 was spent in Oklahoma City last week as a direct result of the State Fair. This is the opinion of Sidney L. Brock, a director of the Oklahoma State Fair association and former proprietor of the Sidney L. Brock Druggists company of this city. He has been investigating sales records of various local merchants with a view to ascertaining what effect the State Fair had upon local business.

## 30,000 Visitors Here.

Mr. Brock bases his figures upon the assumption that at least 30,000 out of town visitors came to Oklahoma City during the exposition and that at least \$30 was spent by each. This would mean that from this one source alone \$900,000 was brought to the city.

Mr. Brock considers not only his estimate of the number of non-resident visitors to the fair very conservative, but the \$20 average expenditure as well. The hotel and restaurant bills of every man and woman who came to the city last week would amount to that sum, he says, and hardly a single visitor left town without purchasing numerous articles of clothing.

## Record Business Reported.

Jobbers all report business at least 50 percent greater during the past fair than during the one preceding. Many

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## Fair Directors To Meet Saturday

By tomorrow afternoon the tons of peanut shells, paper sacks, banana peelings and other evidences that the recent State Fair was a complete success will have been removed.

Workmen have been engaged since Saturday night in collecting all the refuse incident to a successful state fair. This is collected and burned.

No decision as to whether the concrete grandstand will be completed according to original plans have been made by the directors. They will probably hold a meeting Saturday to discuss the matter.

## Cooler, Cloudy Is Weather Forecast

Local Forecast—Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; probably somewhat cooler Wednesday.

State Forecast—Tonight fair; warmer in eastern portion Wednesday; partly cloudy; cooler in western portion.

KANSAS—Fair and cooler.  
ARKANSAS—Fair and warmer.  
WEST TEXAS—Fair and colder.

**THE FOLKS WHO  
FLY TOO HIGH  
DESERVE A  
CALLING  
DOWN**

**"Zimmie"**

## NEWSBOY WILL AID NEW JERSEY JUDGE IN DEALING JUSTICE

PASSAIC, N. J., Oct. 3.—Isador Schlefter, a 16-year-old newsboy, who has saved \$800 from the sale of his papers, hereafter will be associated with Judge Casselle in the administration of justice in the city court here. His career will be utilized by the judge as an example for the wayward boys brought before the court. When the boy appeared before the court in a recent case this court asked him to come there again and tell the delinquent boys "what it means to do right" and how he succeeded. Isador promised to prepare a little speech to deliver to the boys whenever the judge desired.

## U. S. GOVERNMENT TO INVESTIGATE A LOCAL ROBBERY

Theft of Pennies From Branch Postoffice Is Cause.

Federal investigation of the robbery of the University pharmacy at 1022 West Eighteenth street, is under way. Thieves believed to have been small boys, entered the building last Sunday night by prying open a window and escaped with a number of cigars, and 300 pennies belonging to Uncle Sam's branch postoffice.

Had it not been for the stealing of the government money city police alone would have handled the affair. As it is, John Graham, assistant postmaster, has already taken a hand in the affair and a postoffice inspector will be on the ground in a few days.

Officers are of the opinion that the crime was committed by boys because of the quality of articles taken. No attempt was made to blow the drug store safe, and one box of candy was opened and a few pieces eaten.

A standing reward of from \$50 to \$200 is offered by the government for the arrest and conviction of postoffice robbers. A few years ago small boys entered the Maywood pharmacy on Harrison avenue and robbed a branch postoffice there of a small amount of money. They were later discovered and sent to the federal reform school in Washington, D. C.

## Water Bonds Issue Finally Approved

The Oklahoma City \$1,500,000 waterworks bond issue was approved finally by the attorney general's office this morning. The bonds were turned over to Mike Donnelly, city commissioner of accounting and finance, who was waiting at the attorney general's office to receive them.

## Funston Praises Guard's Condition

SAN ANTONIO, Oct. 3.—Major General Frederick Funston today praised the condition and the spirit of state troops on duty in the Brownsville district following his return from the first inspection trip to the border he has had opportunity to make since guardsmen have been in the federal service.

## SWEDEN CLASHES WITH ALLIES ON SEA PROCEDURE

Situation Threatens to Become Feuse.

## ENTENTE MAKES CHARGES

Asserts Neutrality Is Not Loyal and Impartial.

LONDON, Oct. 3.—The relations between Sweden and the entente powers are attracting unusual attention here, and there is every indication that the situation threatens to become somewhat tense. With the dispute with mail service still unsettled there now has arisen the charge by the entente allies that the neutrality of Sweden is not so loyal and impartial as it should be. This has drawn from Stockholm a reply as tart and even as some of the notes in the mail correspondence which are characterized by Viscount Grey as containing words not usually found in diplomatic correspondence.

## Confidence in Tact.

Confidence is expressed in the tact and ability of the British minister to Sweden, Sir Esme Howard, to handle Great Britain's interests for he already has done much to smooth over many points of friction that has arisen since the war began. Sir Esme has been given full authority to act in the mails dispute and is cooperating with the other entente diplomats at Stockholm in making representations as to the latest matters in controversy.

## Keep Within Limit.

The new point of contact with Sweden is the outgrowth of the practice of belligerent shipping in using Swedish territorial waters for all Baltic trade. Within the safety of this neutral three-mile limit English and other ships of the entente nations have sailed definitely into and out of the Baltic, paying not the slightest heed to the German fleet looking on from the outer waters. Similarly German merchant ships have sailed in and down the west coast of Sweden heavily laden with foodstuffs and iron ores while Russian destroyers in the northern reaches of the Baltic have been impotent to act.

## Responsibility Heavy.

This practice placed a heavy responsibility upon Sweden and kept her fleet busy day and night patrolling the territorial waters in protection of the belligerent traders despite which

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## Houston Leaves District Bench

GUTHRIE, Okla., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Judge A. H. Houston, who has been on the bench in this district for many years, sent his resignation to Governor Williams today. Lack of physical strength to carry on his duties longer is given as the reason.

Judge Houston went to Stillwater Monday to open the October term of court, but on arriving there found the docket so heavy that he felt unequal to the work. He returned to this city and wrote his resignation. He has been in poor physical condition for several months.

The bar associations of Payne and Logan counties will meet late today to select a successor whom they will recommend to the governor.

## Gray Veterans Meet At Durant

DURANT, Okla., Oct. 3.—Three hundred Confederate veterans of Oklahoma were present today when the eighth annual reunion of the Oklahoma division of the United Confederate Veterans convened this afternoon. In conjunction with the veterans reunion, the Daughters of the Confederacy, opened their annual reunion today.

## Local Plant to Fill Omaha Orders

Destruction of the plant of Morris & Co. at Omaha last night by fire will not greatly affect the local plant, officials said today. Until the Omaha plant is rebuilt the Oklahoma City branch will ship some meat and produce in carload lots to a temporary shipping office in Omaha for distribution in the Omaha business.

## BATTLE IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

FIRST GAME—											R. H. E.		
Boston at . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	—	—	6	11	2
Philadelphia . . . .	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	—	3	8	4
Batteries: Rudolph and Gowdy; Rix, Ky and Kilfer.													
SECOND GAME—											R. H. E.		
New York at . . . .	3	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brooklyn . . . . .	0	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Batteries: Benton and Rariden; Smith and Miller.													

## English Girl Offers to Give Eye to Restore Blind Soldier's Sight

PARIS, Oct. 3.—A young English girl has written to Dr. Rochon Duval offering to give one of her eyes to a soldier who has lost his sight serving France. The girl, who lives in North Shields, had read a recent statement by Dr. Duval, one of the famous oculists in France, that it is possible to save the sight of a man wounded in the eye by grafting a portion of the cornea of another person. In her letter she said:

"If you believe that there is one chance of success in a million, I will give you one of my eyes for a soldier who has lost his sight serving France. I would prefer to give my eye to one to whom it would be especially useful, such as an inventor or an officer of great value."

"If my offer is accepted, I shall consider myself under an obligation to you for permitting me to be of use to my country in the only way possible to me."

## 265,000 FARES PAID TO CAR COMPANY BY STATE FAIR VISITORS

TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND and SIXTY FIVE cents were spent by visitors to the Oklahoma State Fair and by Oklahoma citizens on the Fair grounds cars of the Oklahoma Railroad company last week. It was announced this morning by Charles Hoopes, auditor of the company.

This compares with 237,000 fares paid last year by State Fair-bound people.

Forty-two street cars, running on an average of every two minutes during the hour, the Fair was open were used. The average load of each car was 100. There were additional motorcars and conductors were employed for the week.

The tickets left in Oklahoma City with the street car company as a result of the Fair, amount to \$13,250. Many additional fares were spent on other than the Fair grounds line as a result of the exposition. These are not included in the total.

## JAPAN'S CABINET TO QUIT; CHIEF FRIEND OF U. S.

Okuma Will Retire in Favor of Kato.

TOKYO, Oct. 3.—The Nichi Nichi Shimbun in an extra-edition announces that the cabinet of Premier Count Okuma has decided to resign. The premier is said to have stated that he would recommend to the emperor the appointment of Viscount Takaaki Kato as his successor.

The Okuma cabinet was formed in August of last year. Its resignation had been expected for several months. It was forecast by the premier in a speech last May in which he indicated he would retire in favor of Viscount Kato.

The premier's advanced age—he is 73 years old—has been given as the reason for his decision to resign, although he has also been intimated he would withdraw to make way for a man of bolder national policy. The premier largely controlled the foreign policy of his country and has been assailed by the opposition for not adopting a more vigorous attitude toward China.

On many occasions he has expressed friendship for the United States and in an interview several months ago, said war between this country and Japan was impossible.

Viscount Kato has served as foreign minister and ambassador to Great Britain. He took a prominent part in the negotiations which followed the presentation of the twenty-one Japanese demands on China and also in the discussion with Washington on the California anti-alien land law.

## Bullet Clips Bit Of Passenger's Ear

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—Shortly after announcement was made today that police guards were to be removed from the elevated lines as well as the subway, three trains were attacked by strike sympathizers, one of the trains being the Bronx subway express. A bullet fired at a third elevated train clipped a piece from the right ear of a passenger and fell to the floor after penetrating a motorman's booth.

## WORLD'S SERIES OPENS SATURDAY IN BOSTON FIELD

National Commission Decides on Big Schedule.

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—At a meeting of the national commission here today it was decided to play the first game of the world's series on Saturday at the National league club's field in Boston.

The second game will also be played on the Boston field Monday. October 9th and 10th and fourth games will be played in Brooklyn or Philadelphia, after the National league race is decided on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 10 and 11.

If the series goes beyond four games the fifth game will be played in Boston, Thursday, October 12, the sixth in Philadelphia or Brooklyn, Friday, October 13 and the place for playing the seventh will be decided by the toss of a coin.

In case of a tie game or a postponed game the clubs will remain in the city until such games are played off. The minutes for the series will not be announced until after the pennant winner in the National league is decided.

## Wilson to Start Tonight for Omaha

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 3.—President Wilson is ready for his first invasion of the middle west since the campaign opened. He will leave here tonight for Omaha, going by way of Philadelphia and Chicago. He will speak in Omaha Thursday night, returning to Shadow Lawn Saturday morning.

Although many requests for the president to speak enroute to Omaha have been received at the executive offices, no arrangements for any addresses have been made.

## Reception Tonight For New Minister

A reception will be given tonight at the new Maywood Christian church, Ninth street and Phillips avenue, for the new pastor, L. H. Otto, and his family. The welcome address will be delivered by the Rev. Bowen of the Capitol Hill Christian church. After Rev. Otto replies, speeches will be made by the other Christian ministers of the city, all of whom will be present. Special music has been arranged for and light refreshments will be served.

The new church will be dedicated Sunday by the Rev. George Sundry of Lexington, Ill. Three special services will be held, one at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, one at 3 o'clock that afternoon and another at 7:30 o'clock at night.

## Number Served Is Vital Factor

MANY who have submitted menus in the Times Better Menu Contest have failed to state the number of persons for which their menu is to be served. This is a vital factor. Menus without any special preparation for a family of specific number will not be entered in the race for the prizes. Remember a prize of \$5 will be given for the best menu for a day for a family of two, three, four, five, six, seven and eight persons.

You do not have to state the cost of your day's meals, but the amount of ingredients in your special dishes should be stated accurately.

Write your recipes on only one side of the paper and address them to BETTER MENU CONTEST, EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Every menu that is considered worth publishing will bring 50 cents from the Times to the writer.

You'll find one menu in the Times every day.

## BULGARS LEAVE STRONGHOLDS AS FOES ENCIRCLE

Silistria and Turtukal Are Evacuated.

## INVASERS ARE CUT OFF

Pontoon Across Danube Are Destroyed.

LONDON, Oct. 3.—Field Marshal von Mackensen, who commands the forces of the central allies operating against the Rumanians and Russians in the province of Dobruja, has ordered the evacuation of the Danube fortresses of Silistria and Turtukal recently captured by the Teuton, Bulgarian and Turkish forces, says a dispatch from Rome to the Wireless Press.

## Encircling Threatened.

The reason given for the withdrawal of von Mackensen's forces is that the German commander is in danger of being enveloped by the Russian and Rumanian troops which have crossed the Danube between Rostchuk and Turtukal.

The latest statement from Sofia minimizes the importance of the invading forces as consisting of "several battalions" conveyed across the river in boats between Rostchuk and Turtukal.

"Measures have been taken to attack this force," the official bulletin declares.

The German war office announced today that Austrian and German monitors had destroyed the pontoon bridges across the Danube in the rear of the Rumanian forces which have crossed the river and invaded Bulgaria.

## Macedonia Fluctuates.

In Macedonia where the allies are pressing offensive movements presumably to prevent reinforcements being sent by the central powers from one field of activity to another, the tide of battle is fluctuating on both wings.

The Serbians appear to have gained the upper hand in the hilly Wamakalan regions. Sofia admits a Bulgarian retirement there and the French official report announces a new advance by the Serbians, who have captured first line trenches and taken another Bulgarian battery.

## British Lose Villages.

Entente statements declare the Bulgarians were repulsed on the eastern end of the Macedonian front, in attacks on British positions east of the Struma. Sofia, however, reports the capture by Bulgarian forces of the villages of Frunkon and Nevoljen, which the British had taken.

On the Somme front a period of determined counter attacks by the Germans appear to have set in. They have been striking back strong at the British along the Ponnies-Bapaume road, working their way back into the village of Faucourt L'Abbaye and today they are reported by Paris to have attempted heavy strokes at the French lines near Rancourt north of Peronne. They were unable, however, to debouch from the St. Pierre-Vaast road northeast of Rancourt. Paris declares, being checked by the French curtain of fire and machine guns.

## Zeppelin Sheds Attacked.

British naval aeroplanes Monday made another attack on the German airship sheds in the vicinity of Brussels, according to a British official statement issued this afternoon. One of the British aeroplanes was lost.

## German Attack Fails.

German forces have taken the offensive south of Divink, attacking the Russian lines in force near Novo Alexandrovsk. The Petrograd war office announced today. They were met by an intense defensive force from the Russian guns, however, and forced back to their positions, the official statement declares.

## EPWORTH SUIT TO BE REOPENED

Questions for the Rev. W. F. Dunkle of St. Petersburg, Fla., to answer in giving his deposition will be mailed to him today by Burke Shartel, attorney for the University Development company from which the M. E. church, south, is striving to wrest the school property in this city. The Reverend Dunkle was formerly a member of the church's auditing committee which at one time during the school's career checked the books of the university and reported its financial condition to the church conference.

The reopening of the Epworth case is now assured. The date of the reopening for the admission of new testimony depends on the time it takes to obtain depositions from the Reverend Dunkle and other church officials. Witnesses will be called back to testify. Only evidence relative to the school's financial condition and the knowledge of the church conferences regarding it will be admitted, Judge Clark stated.

## Edward S. Lacey Dead.

CHICAGO, Oct. 3.—Edward S. Lacey, former controller of the currency, died at his home in Evanston, a suburb, last night.